

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in a condition for allowance.

Claims 33-46 are new. Claims 33-46 include the subject matter of original claims 1-14. Support for claims 33-46 can be found at least in the originally filed set of claims, in the specification at page 2 line 30 to page 4, line 12, page 5, line 24 to page 6 line 5, page 7 lines 4-30, page 8 lines 5-30 and the Figures 1 and 2.

Claims 1, 3-17, and 33-46 remain pending in this application.

Claims 33-42 are drawn to a method for producing a multi-ply web of flexible material at a plurality of glue sites comprising the step of printing on either a first and/or second web material using a printing roll carrying a colorant absent any glue, and the printed pattern is in a fixed relationship with the glue pattern. That is, the printed pattern recited in claim 33 is not a glue pattern, and the printed pattern repeats with the glue pattern in a fixed relationship.

None of the publications applied in the Official Action disclose or suggest a printing a pattern on either a first and/or second web by a printing roll carrying a colorant, absent glue,

and the resulting printed pattern being in a fixed relationship with a glue pattern.

Therefore, Applicants submit that claims 33-42 are allowable over the publication relied on in the rejection of the Official Action.

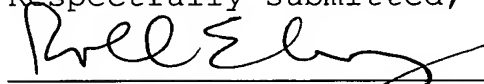
Claims 43-46 are drawn to a method for producing a multi-ply web of flexible material at a plurality of glue sites comprising the step of simultaneously laminating a first and second web material and printing a colored pattern on the outside of the second web material, wherein the laminating is done at sufficiently high pressure between a lamination roll and impression roll. That is, printing on the second web occurs when the webs are laminated together, requiring sufficient pressure, and, the printed pattern applied to the second web repeats with the glue pattern between the first and second web in a fixed relationship.

None of the publications applied in the Official Action disclose or suggest laminating the first and second web and simultaneously printing on the second web. Therefore, Applicants submit that claims 43-46 are allowable over the publication relied on in the rejection of the Official Action.

Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1 and 3-17 are also non-obvious for the reasons previously discussed in the Response filed May 2, 2005.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

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